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**Deadline Extended for Submission of Acute Hospital Credit and Collection Policies
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The Division has extended the October 1, 2008 filing deadline for acute hospital credit and collection policies. Under Health Safety Net regulation 114.6 CMR 13.08(1) (c), hospitals are required to revise their Credit and Collection policies to reflect regulatory changes and to submit the revised policies to the Division within 90 days of the effective date of the amended regulations.

Technical corrections to the Health Safety Net regulations, which revised the credit and collection policy requirements, became effective on July 1, 2008. The Division plans to adopt new Health Safety Net regulations that will take effect on October 1, 2008. The Division will therefore delay the Credit and Collection policy submission deadline to January 1, 2009, 90 days from the effective date of the new regulations.